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Title : Tubular Cutter Device and Method for Cutting and Removing Strips of  
Tissue From the Body of a Patient

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 CFR SECTION 1.97(c)**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR Section 1.97(c) (as amended on March 16, 1992), the following Information Disclosure Statement is submitted as listed on Forms PTO/SB/08A enclosed herewith. Copies of all cited references other than United States patents and published United States applications are attached hereto for the Examiner's review.

No representation is made that the reference(s) disclosed herein legally constitute prior art or that more relevant references are not available. The disclosure document(s) listed on the attached Forms PTO/SB/08A are printed in the English language and/or accompanied by an Abstract published in the English language.

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